

ent form to include the limitations of their respective base claim and any intervening claims and are believed to be in condition for allowance. Furthermore, claims 2, 5, 6, 8 and 10 were amended to depend from one of claims 3, 4 or 9. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 2, 5, 6, 8 and 10 are patentable for at least the reasons that independent claims 3, 4 or 9, from which they ultimately depend, are patentable.

It is believed that the claims of the application as now presented, i.e., claims 2-6 and 8-12, are patentably distinct over the art of record and are in condition for allowance. In the event that the Examiner believes that a telephone conference or a personal interview may facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the undersigned may be contacted at the number indicated below.

In view of the foregoing Amendment and remarks, entry of this Amendment and favorable reconsideration of this application are respectfully requested.

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